

Classification with Large Dataset

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1 Large Dataset Classification - COVID-19 Public Use Data

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1.1.1 Introduction

This dataset is a collection of 100,325,980 observations taken by the CDC during the (ongoing) COVID-19 Pandemic. The dataset encompasses 12 variables that describe the characteristics of the majority of COVID-19 cases (the data was last updated a week ago on 8 September). The dataset includes important dates regarding the patient (when the case was reported to the CDC, when it was transmitted), the current status of the patient, sex, age group, among other things. Essentially, the data allows us to see trends about COVID-19 patients and determine certain risk factors.

Note that the data is not fully accurate since most sources suggest a total of around 108 million cases. The 8 million or so cases not covered likely were not reported to the CDC.

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
      from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
      from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
      from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, classification_report
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
      import seaborn as sns
      import numpy as np
```

Below, we will be chunking the data to make it easier to load our data.

```
[2]: chunk_size = 50000
      chunks = []
      for chunk in pd.read_csv('COVID-19_Case_Surveillance_Public_Use_Data.csv',
                               chunksize=chunk_size):

          chunks.append(chunk)

      df = pd.concat(chunks, axis=0)
```

In the below code blocks, we will be cleaning the data to make our classification easier. We will be renaming columns and dropping those we don't need.

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[3]: df.head(50)
```

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[3]:   cdc_case_earliest_dt  cdc_report_dt pos_spec_dt  onset_dt  \
0      2021/11/19      2021/11/19      NaN      NaN
1      2022/07/28      2022/07/29      NaN  2022/07/28
2      2021/10/31      2021/11/03      NaN  2021/10/31
3      2023/04/13      2023/04/18      NaN  2023/04/13
4      2022/10/22      2022/12/06  2022/10/22      NaN
5      2021/08/20      2021/08/20  2021/08/20      NaN
6      2022/09/14      2022/09/19  2022/09/14      NaN
7      2020/11/28      2020/12/04  2020/11/28  2020/11/28
8      2022/10/27      2022/10/31  2022/10/27      NaN
9      2021/01/19      2021/01/20      NaN  2021/01/19
10     2021/01/01      2021/01/06  2021/01/05  2021/01/01
11     2023/02/13      2023/02/13  2023/02/13      NaN
12     2020/12/16      2020/12/17  2020/12/16      NaN
13     2021/01/09      2021/01/09      NaN      NaN
14     2022/04/05      2022/04/06  2022/04/05      NaN
15     2020/03/19      2020/05/13  2020/03/20  2020/03/19
16     2023/01/29      2023/01/29  2023/01/29      NaN
17     2023/03/09      2023/03/10  2023/03/09      NaN
18     2022/05/27      2022/05/27  2022/05/27      NaN
19     2022/01/10      2022/01/11  2022/01/10      NaN
20     2022/12/28      2023/01/10  2023/01/07  2022/12/28
21     2022/01/28      2022/01/31  2022/01/28      NaN
22     2023/02/21      2023/02/21  2023/02/22  2023/02/21
23     2022/12/06      2022/12/06      NaN      NaN
24     2023/01/20      2023/01/23  2023/01/20      NaN
25     2022/08/09      2022/08/16  2022/08/09      NaN
26     2023/03/10      2023/03/10  2023/03/10      NaN
27     2022/08/14      2022/08/16  2022/08/14      NaN
28     2020/12/01      2020/12/12      NaN  2020/12/01
29     2020/04/25      2020/04/30      NaN  2020/04/25
30     2022/09/26      2022/09/26  2022/09/28  2022/09/26
31     2021/04/05      2021/04/16  2021/04/14  2021/04/05
32     2020/06/05      2021/11/10      NaN  2020/05/31
33     2020/11/08      2020/11/09      NaN  2020/11/08
34     2020/11/28      2020/12/06  2020/11/28      NaN
35     2022/07/12      2022/08/30  2022/07/12      NaN
36     2022/11/14      2022/11/15  2022/11/14      NaN
37     2022/12/29      2022/12/30  2022/12/29      NaN
38     2022/11/03      2022/11/07  2022/11/03      NaN
39     2021/02/26      2021/02/28  2021/02/26      NaN
40     2022/09/03      2022/09/04      NaN  2022/09/03
41     2021/01/11      2021/01/12  2021/01/11  2021/01/11
42     2022/08/23      2022/08/24      NaN  2022/08/23
43     2022/01/12      2023/01/12  2022/01/12      NaN
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44	2022/11/08	2022/11/08	2022/11/08	NaN
45	2022/02/06	2022/02/07	NaN	2022/02/06
46	2022/07/19	2022/07/20	2022/07/19	NaN
47	2022/02/01	2022/02/02	2022/02/01	NaN
48	2022/10/02	2022/10/03	2022/10/02	NaN
49	2020/12/30	2021/01/01	2020/12/30	NaN

	current_status	sex	age_group	race_ethnicity_combined	\
0	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
1	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
2	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
3	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
4	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
5	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
6	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
7	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
8	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
9	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
10	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
11	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
12	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
13	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
14	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
15	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
16	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
17	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
18	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
19	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
20	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
21	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
22	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
23	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
24	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
25	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
26	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
27	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
28	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
29	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
30	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
31	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
32	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
33	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
34	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
35	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
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37	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic	
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46	Probable Case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic
47	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic
48	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic
49	Laboratory-confirmed case	Female	80+ Years	White, Non-Hispanic

	hosp_yn	icu_yn	death_yn	medcond_yn
0	Missing	Missing	Yes	Missing
1	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
2	No	Missing	No	Missing
3	No	Missing	Missing	Missing
4	Unknown	Unknown	Missing	Unknown
5	No	Unknown	No	No
6	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
7	No	Missing	Missing	Missing
8	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
9	No	Missing	Unknown	Missing
10	No	Missing	No	Yes
11	Yes	Missing	Missing	Missing
12	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
13	Unknown	Unknown	Yes	No
14	No	Missing	Missing	Unknown
15	Missing	Missing	Yes	Yes
16	Yes	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
17	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
18	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
19	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
20	Yes	Missing	Missing	Missing
21	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Missing
22	No	Missing	Missing	Missing
23	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
24	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
25	Yes	Missing	Missing	Missing
26	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
27	Yes	Missing	Missing	Missing
28	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
29	No	Missing	No	Missing
30	No	Missing	Missing	Missing
31	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
32	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
33	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing

34	Yes	Missing	Missing	Missing
35	Unknown	Unknown	Missing	Unknown
36	No	Missing	No	Missing
37	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
38	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
39	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
40	No	Missing	No	Missing
41	Yes	Missing	Yes	Missing
42	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
43	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
44	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
45	Unknown	Missing	Yes	Missing
46	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing
47	No	No	No	Missing
48	Yes	Unknown	Yes	Unknown
49	Missing	Missing	Missing	Missing

```
[4]: # Drop unnecessary columns
df = df.drop(columns=[
    'pos_spec_dt', 'onset_dt', 'current_status', 'hosp_yn', 'medcond_yn'
])

# Rename columns
df = df.rename(columns={
    'cdc_report_dt': 'Report_Date',
    'sex': 'Gender',
    'age_group': 'Age_Group',
    'race_ethnicity_combined': 'Race_Ethnicity',
    'icu_yn': 'ICU_Status',
    'death_yn': 'Death_Status'
})
```

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[5]: # Convert 'Report_Date' column to datetime format
df['Report_Date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Report_Date'], errors='coerce')
```

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[6]: # Since the dataset is large enough, we drop rows where any of the columns
      ↪ contain 'Missing' or 'Unknown'
df = df[~((df == 'Missing') | (df == 'Unknown')).any(axis=1)]
```

In the below code, we will create our Random Forest Classifier and model to train by selecting a specific set of variables that we want to classify.

```
[8]: X = df[['Gender', 'Age_Group', 'Race_Ethnicity', 'ICU_Status']]
y = df['Death_Status']

# Encode
for col in ['Gender', 'Age_Group', 'Race_Ethnicity', 'ICU_Status',
    ↪ 'Death_Status']:
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df[col] = df[col].astype('category').cat.codes

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3,
↳random_state=42)
# Create model
clf = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=42)

# Train model
clf.fit(X_train, y_train)

```

[8]: RandomForestClassifier(random_state=42)

[9]: df

[9]:

	cdc_case_earliest_dt	Report_Date	Gender	Age_Group	Race_Ethnicity	\
47	2022/02/01	2022-02-02	0	9		6
66	2021/09/05	2021-09-10	0	9		6
91	2021/11/11	2021-11-13	0	9		6
101	2022/08/31	2022-09-01	0	9		6
252	2020/10/30	2020-11-07	0	9		6
...	
99566140	2022/06/28	2022-07-07	0	9		6
99566157	2022/07/29	2022-07-30	0	9		6
99566167	2020/12/04	2020-12-04	0	9		6
99566205	2021/02/11	2023-03-08	0	9		6
99566211	2021/09/10	2021-09-13	0	9		6

	ICU_Status	Death_Status
47	0	0
66	0	0
91	0	0
101	0	1
252	0	1
...
99566140	1	0
99566157	0	1
99566167	1	1
99566205	0	0
99566211	0	1

[2047375 rows x 7 columns]

Now we will test the accuracy of our model.

[10]:

```

y_pred = clf.predict(X_test)

# Calculate accuracy of the model
accuracy = accuracy_score(y_test, y_pred)

```

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print(f'Accuracy: {accuracy * 100:.2f}%')
```

Accuracy: 95.47%

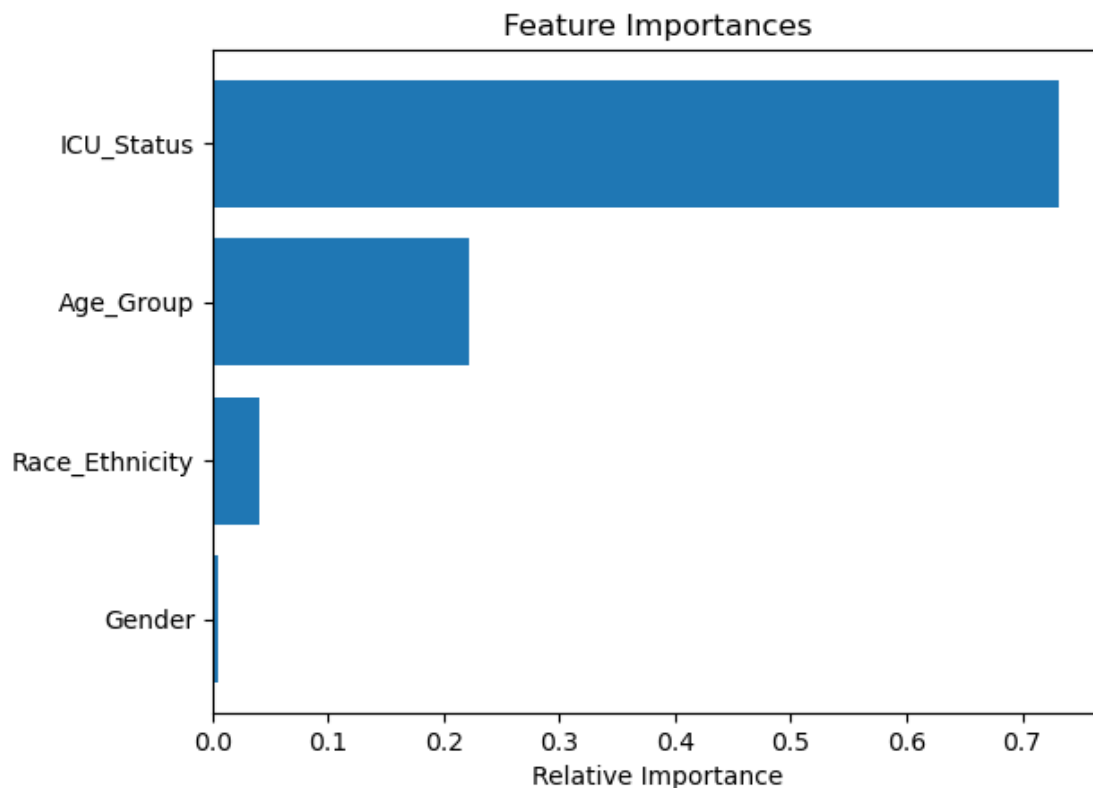
As we see above, the model is quite accurate in totality, suggesting that our model is good and that the variables that we have selected will classify the data well.

1.2 Visualisations

Now we will create a set of three visualisations to plot our data alongside interpretations.

Firstly we will create a plot of the relative importance of the features in the X set of our model.

```
[11]: feature_importances = clf.feature_importances_  
features = X_train.columns  
indices = np.argsort(feature_importances)  
  
plt.title('Feature Importances')  
plt.barh(range(len(indices)), feature_importances[indices], align='center')  
plt.yticks(range(len(indices)), [features[i] for i in indices])  
plt.xlabel('Relative Importance')  
plt.show()
```



As we see above, the most important feature by a longshot was ICU Status. This is likely

because the ICU situation of an individual is a key indicator of whether or not a patient survived their bout with COVID or not. According to NIH data found at this link: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7276026/#:~:text=Early%20reports%20of%20smaller%20cohort,it is estimated that 50-67% of patients admitted to the ICU died.>

Age group is next in importance due to COVID being more deadly and having more adverse effects towards those who are older and likely has an underlying condition.

Race/Ethnicity is third and holds a surprisingly lower amount of significance considering the fact that COVID was considered (by per capita data) to be worse in the black community. It is likely the importance was overshadowed by the above two since the plot is measuring relativity in importance.

Gender was obviously last since there are very few gender differences that would determine the whether or not someone could recover from the disease.

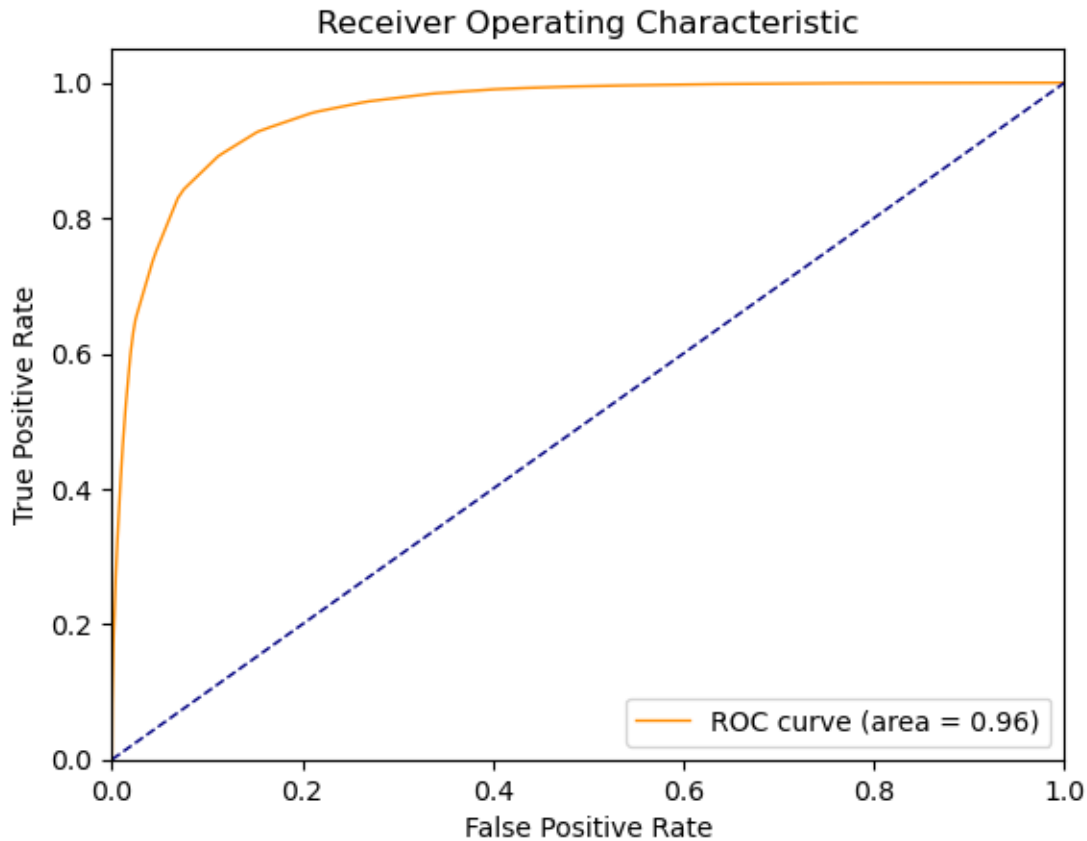
```
[12]: from sklearn.metrics import roc_curve, roc_auc_score

y_pred_proba = clf.predict_proba(X_test)[: , 1]

# calculate ROC curve
fpr, tpr, _ = roc_curve(y_test, y_pred_proba)

# calculate AOC score
roc_auc = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_pred_proba)

# visaulize ROC curve
plt.figure()
plt.plot(fpr, tpr, color='darkorange', lw=1, label=f'ROC curve (area = {roc_auc:
↵.2f})')
plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], color='navy', lw=1, linestyle='--')
plt.xlim([0.0, 1.0])
plt.ylim([0.0, 1.05])
plt.xlabel('False Positive Rate')
plt.ylabel('True Positive Rate')
plt.title('Receiver Operating Characteristic')
plt.legend(loc="lower right")
plt.show()
```

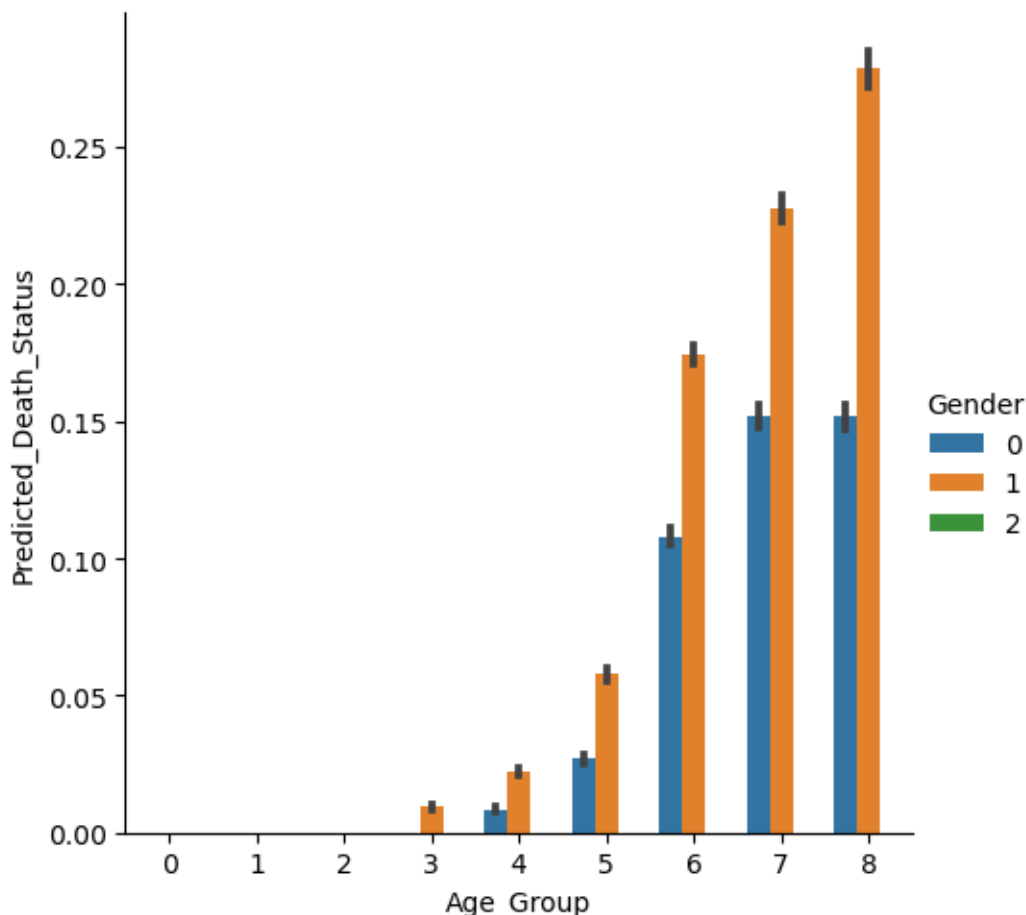
In the above plot, we have our ROC curve and a plot of the True Positive Rate against the False Positive Rate. The data further confirms the accuracy of our model and given the area under the ROC curve of 0.96.

```
[13]: y_pred = clf.predict(X_test)

X_test_with_predictions = X_test.copy()
X_test_with_predictions['Predicted_Death_Status'] = y_pred

import seaborn as sns
sns.catplot(x="Age_Group", y="Predicted_Death_Status", hue="Gender",
            kind="bar", data=X_test_with_predictions)
```

```
[13]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x1bdf7535d10>
```



Note in the above plot: 0 for Gender is Female and 1 for Gender is Male.

Our final plot is a plot of the predicted death status based on the Age Group variable that also takes into account Gender based on hue. The conclusions we can draw from the above data is fairly straightforward: people who are older are much more likely to be dead from the virus. Another thing to take into account is that the y-axis (Predicted Death Status) is higher for men than for women of all age groups. This confirms pre-existing data suggesting that men are more likely to die of the disease than women, although the relative importance does not show this.

1.3 Conclusions

From our Random Forest Classification and our plots, we can determine that ICU Status is the number one factor of the variables that we tested to determine the status of a COVID patient. Age Group was next, which tracks well with the exiting data about older age groups being much more vulnerable to the virus than those in younger age groups. Race and Ethnicity was third in importance and Gender was last, although as our third plot showed, men were much more likely to die of COVID.

The model that we created likely could encompass more data and more of the existing variables, however it gives a good introductory starting point to predicting and classifying COVID-19 data

based on the Random Forest Classifier.